#### WEEKLY HIGHLIGHTS WEEK OF 12/21/17

#### **MAJOR MILESTONE REPORT**

**Confirmed Dates:** 

Likely in December

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Likely in January

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• Issue permit modification public notice for the Landfarms Closure Plan at the Hovensa Refinery, St. Croix, USVI.

(CASD – Nidal Azzam)

Likely in February

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**CLEAN AIR AND SUSTAINABILITY DIVISION** 

Hot Issues:

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Past Week:

**HOVENSA/St. Croix, USVI:** Hurricane Recovery: Additional post-hurricane repairs on Limetree's electrical system have been completed. As a result, 80% of the HOVENSA ERT's groundwater recovery well system, which had been shut down during the storm, is now operational as of close-of-business December 13th.

**Upcoming:** 

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CARIBBEAN ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION

Hot Issues:

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**NPDES:** 

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USVI (TPDES & Wetlands):

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Limetree Bay Terminals – The comment letter on the Limetree Bay Terminals, LLC proposed installation of a single point mooring system started circulating for concurrence on December 20, 2017. While the letter only covers activities proposed as part of a Corps of Engineers permit application, CEPD has requested concurrence from CASD and ORC due to other activities proposed by Limetree, which are currently undergoing review at those divisions. The final letter is due for signature on December 29, 2017.

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**CLEAN WATER DIVISION** 

Hot Issues:

to provide comments back to Tetra Tech. The Subtask F and G report is out for review to the Stakeholder Technical Work Group with comments due by January 15. (POC: M. Tedesco)

#### **Upcoming:**

Long Island Sound Monitoring Proposals: EPA staff will meet on January 5 with Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection and New York State Department of Environmental Conservation staff to discuss proposals to expand monitoring in local embayments around Long Island Sound. There are several monitoring proposals for consideration by the Long Island Sound Study Management Committee at its January 18 meeting. These include supporting local groups to monitor water quality and a proposal to monitor the seafloor community as a new indicator of embayment health. The purpose of the January 5 discussion is to evaluate the data needed to support nitrogen management of embayments under federal and state efforts. This will inform consideration of proposals to strengthen embayment monitoring efforts. (POC: M. Tedesco)

**DIVISION OF ENFORCEMENT AND COMPLIANCE ASSISTANCE** 

Hot Issues:

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Upcoming:

**DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE AND ASSESSMENT** 

Past Week:

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Other Items of Special Interest:

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EMERGENCY REMEDIATION AND RESPONSE DIVISION

Hot Issues:

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Past Week:

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OFFICE OF POLICY AND MANAGEMENT

**Upcoming:** 

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OFFICE OF REGIONAL COUNSEL

**Hot Issues:** 

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Past Week:

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**PUBLIC AFFAIRS DIVISION** 

Hot Issues:

**Contact with Elected Officials:** 

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